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AD HOC COMMITTEE
CRYSTAL LAKE MILFOIL COMMITTEESpecial Meeting Minutes
June 24, 2009MEMBERS PRESENT: Monique Burns, Bill Merson, Dave Arzt, ^{Rodger} Roger HosigMEMBERS ABSENT: Jeanne BurnsOTHERS PRESENT: Jack Turner and Mark MickiewiczCALL TO ORDER:

Dave Arzt, Ad Hoc Chairmen called meeting to order at 7:40 p.m. at the Town Hall 55 Main Street, Ellington, Ct.

CITIZEN FORUM:

Mr. Mickiewicz asked if the committee has decided where the staging area will be located and how the removed milfoil will be disposed. Dave said the staging area and disposal location and methods has not been fully determined. Once we have a presentation from the Contractor, we may have a better idea regarding both issues.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: NonePROJECT SCOPE:

1. Bill Merson stated that he has not received the GPS map of the newly surveyed milfoil growth from George Knoecklin. George will be getting the map to Bill before our special meeting next week. Bill also stated that George feels the increase in milfoil is a density increase in the current locations but not so much of an increase in new locations.
2. Dave stated that George Knoecklin recommends that our scope of milfoil removal should be concentrated in the open water areas and locations of milfoil that are within 2' of the water surface. His suggestion also included leaving the two coves alone for the moment.
3. Bill's conversation with Bruce Lockhart regarding his scope of services would include the following:
 - a. More than one boat could be used to perform suction harvesting thus allowing for two crews to work at the same time.
 - b. His preference is to work by the hour.
 - c. Since he first started this company he has become a lot more efficient.
 - d. Bruce will put on a presentation to the Committee at our next special meeting to be held on July 1, 2009 at 7:30 at the Ellington Town Hall.
4. Dave Arzt is concerned with the project being paid by the hour because there is no guaranteed area of removal when the contract is signed.

5. Jack Turner suggested that we have in our scope of work a requirement for the Contractor to keep a daily log of activities.

DISPOSAL OPTIONS:

1. Monique Burns stated that Green Cycle will cost too much to dispose of the removed Milfoil. It is in our best interest she stated to use the Town's brush dump for disposal. Dave Stated that George Fetko, Ellington's Public Works Director is okay with us disposing of the Milfoil at the Town's brush dump. The conscience amongst the committee is agreement to dispose of the Milfoil at the Town brush dump.
2. The issues' regarding who performs the disposal is still in debate. Dave and Roger both stated that having the Contractor dispose of it may be more costly but trying to get volunteers to help in the disposal process may be difficult. If we commit to volunteer disposal of the milfoil and do not have the man power to do the required work, it could cost more in the end than having the contractor dispose from the beginning. There is also an issue with insurance and liability for volunteer workers.

COMMITTEE MEMBER QUESTIONS:

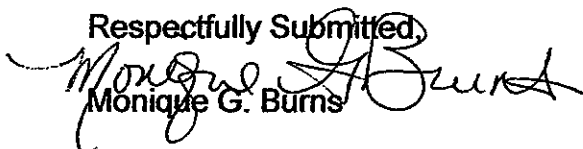
1. At our last meeting ^{Rodger} Roger Hosig was asked to obtain industry standards from other contractors who perform Milfoil Suction Harvesting. He contacted 3 companies in Vermont. One had gone out of business and two did not respond back to his inquire. He will follow up with them again.
2. Monique obtained a copy of an example contract from the Town Attorney Joe Ryan. The committee reviewed it and asked that Monique ask Joe Ryan the following questions:
 - a. This contract will be a service type contract. So, would the Town still require a performance and payment bond from the Contractor?
 - b. Is there any special added insurance requirement the Contractor has to have for scuba divers and/or their boats?

MOVED (M. BURNS), SECONDED (D. ARZT) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO HAVE A SPECIAL MEETING ON JULY 1, 2009 , OF THE AD HOC CRYSTAL LAKE MILFOIL COMMITTEE AT 7:30 P.M. TO BE HELD AT THE TOWN HALL 55, MAIN STREET, ELLINGTON, CT. (See Special Meeting Agenda filed with the Town Clerk).

ADJOURNMENT:

MOVED (M. BURNS), SECONDED (R. HOSIG) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO ADJOURN THIS MEETING AT 9:10 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,


Monique G. Burns